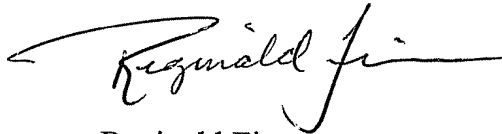


REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in the application. In particular, the claims were amended to remove multiple claim dependencies with other minor amendments to place them in better condition for examination. No new matter was added. Favorable consideration of the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Reginald Finn", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

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